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DECISION



**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES**
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

FILE: B-208418.2

DATE: March 17, 1983

MATTER OF: Simulators Limited, Inc.--Reconsideration

DIGEST:

GAO will not waive the Bid Protest Procedures' requirement that a request for reconsideration be filed within 10 working days after the basis for reconsideration is known.

Simulators Limited, Inc. (Simulators) requests reconsideration of our decision, Simulators Limited, Inc., B-208418, November 23, 1982, 82-2 CPD 473, denying its protest against the Department of the Army's evaluation of proposals received in response to a solicitation for target flight services. We dismiss the request.

Our Bid Protest Procedures require that requests for reconsideration be filed within 10 working days after the basis for reconsideration is known. 4 C. F. R. § 21.9 (1982). Simulators admits that its request is untimely under that rule--the firm received our decision on December 13, 1982 and did not request reconsideration until January 21, 1983--but asks that the time requirement be waived.

While our Procedures provide for our consideration of untimely protests where a significant issue is involved or good cause is shown, 4 C. F. R. § 21.2(c), there is no similar provision regarding untimely requests for reconsideration. Instead, the timeliness standards for the filing of requests for reconsideration are purposefully more inflexible than those for filing protests, or for meeting intermediate case development and or processing deadlines. U.S. Financial Services, Inc.--Reconsideration, B-195945.6, B-198276.3, November 3, 1981, 81-2 CPD 376; Department of Commerce--Request for Reconsideration, B-186939, July 14, 1977, 77-2 CPD 23.

Simulators' untimely request for reconsideration is dismissed.

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